

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No.: 10/657,085

Group Art Unit: 1753

Inventors: Perrot et al.

Filed: September 9, 2003

Title: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING  
AN EXTENDED LIFE SPUTTER  
TARGET ASSEMBLY AND  
PRODUCT THEREOF

Examiner: R. McDonald

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND ACCOMPANYING FEES

via Fax - (571) 273-8300  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

(A) Extension of Time and Requisite Fee:

The undersigned Attorney respectfully petitions the Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for taking action in the above-identified application for a period of time indicated in the box below.

- (1) Original Period for Response was Set to Expire on:

9/16/06  
(Month/Day/Year)

- (2) Statutory Period Expires

12/16/06  
(Month/Day/Year)

Extension now requested (NOT TO EXCEED STATUTORY PERIOD) is for the following period of time from date (1) above:

- ☐ One Month  
☐ Two Months  
☒ Three Months  
☐ Four Months  
☐ Credit is requested for prior extension fees paid

Fee  
\$ 570.00  
12/18/2006 \$ 450.00  
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\$ 1020.00 DA

- (B) ☐ Additional Fee for Response filed herewith:  
☐ Amendment (additional claims)  
☐ Notice of Appeal ☐ Appeal Brief  
☐ Declaration

\$500.00  
\$130.00

- (C) Total Fee for this Petition and any Response filed herewith:

The total fee, in the amount of \$1520.00, is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-2440.

Please charge any additional fee which may be required for this Petition and/or Response, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-2440. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for the convenience of the Finance Branch.

Respectfully submitted,

*[Signature]*  
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Attorney for Applicants

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Danbury, Connecticut 06810-5113  
Dated: December 15, 2006  
Our Ref.: D-21,376  
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